

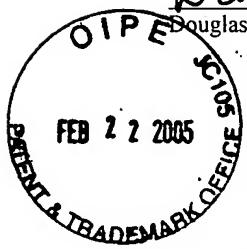
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 17, 2004, the shortened statutory period for response to which ends after February 17, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendment.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the list of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.